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Hiroyuki KAKITA et al. : Patent Art Unit: 3725

Serial No.: 09/753,677 : Examiner: M. Rosenbaum

Filed: January 4, 2001

For: PROCESS FOR TRANSPORTING, STORING, AND PRODUCING A

PARTICULATE WATER-ABSORBENT

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**AMENDMENT** 

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In response to the December 4, 2003 Office Action and the February 20, 2004 Advisory Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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